

Effective: January 1, 2003

Underground Damage Prevention Act

(ONE CALL LAW)

WHO IS AN EXCAVATOR?

Any person who removes material that changes the existing grade of the earth.
Excavator does NOT include home owners.

WHO IS AN OPERATOR?

Any person or company that owns buried underground facilities that transport gas, hazardous liquids, electricity, telephone, cable TV, or fiber optic communications. Operator does NOT include companies that operate water lines, sewer lines, or rural oil and gas production facilities.

EXCAVATOR REQUIREMENTS:

- ✓ **CALL BEFORE YOU DIG!**
 - ✓ **WAIT the REQUIRED amount of time BEFORE DIGGING!**
 - ✓ **RESPECT the MARKS!**
 - ✓ **DIG with CARE!**
- ✓ You must request the operator to provide locates **BEFORE** you dig by calling **1-800-DIG-SAFE (344-7233)**.
 - ✓ You must allow the operator at least **TWO** full working days after the day of the call to mark the facilities.

INFORMATION CHART:

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| | Date of the call - does not count. |
| | Waiting period for locates, includes weekends. |
| | Date when digging may begin. |

| | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu |
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| Mon | | 1 | 2 | ok | | | | | | | |
| Tue | | | 1 | 2 | ok | | | | | | |
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| Thu | | | | | 1 | | | 2 | ok | | |
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| Sun | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 | ok | |

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EXCAVATOR REQUIREMENTS (continued):

- ✓ You must provide a valid contact number for the operator to respond to your request.
- ✓ The locate ticket is valid for 15 calendar days after the scheduled excavation start date.
- ✓ Ticket should only describe the job site you expect to complete within 15 days.
- ✓ Updating tickets without a good reason for the repeat are not allowed.
- ✓ You may have to wait 5 working days after requesting locates if you request a meet-on-site (consider using white lines instead of a meet-on-site).
- ✓ The operator can require you to wheline if the description is not clear.
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- ✓ Emergency requests are **ONLY** allowed in the event of an emergency as defined by the statutes.
- ✓ If you damage an electric line or gas line and there is leaking gas or arcing electricity, you must call (911) and remain on site until first responders or the operator arrives.

OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS:

- ✓ Operator must provide a response for every locate request within 2 working days after the date of the call.
 - Provide locates when facilities are present
 - Provide notice of all-clear if no facilities present
- ✓ Operator must attempt to provide emergency locates within two hours after being notified or before digging begins, whichever is later.

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